

Sinclair
Broadcasting's
decision to force
their stations to
air an anti-Kerry
documentary days
before the election
is a clear example
of the dangers of
media consolidation.

As we all know, the
term documentary is
an easily
mis-understood one.
Films such as this
one and Fahrenheit
9/11 are often made
by partisan
filmmakers with an
agenda. While they
may present what
they view as facts,
they often do not
present opposing
viewpoints yet are
adept at leaving the
audience feeling as
if the facts were
told. Events that
took place over 30
years ago are no
longer clear in
anyone's memory.
This film is NOT
news, it is
propaganda. Forcing
stations that use
broadcast airwaves
supposedly owned by
the public is wrong,
unfair and illegal.
I DEMAND THAT THE
FCC STOP IT.

Sinclair uses the
public airwaves free
of charge, and is
obligated by law to
serve the public
interest. But when
large companies
control the
airwaves, we get
more of what's good
for the bottom line
and less of what we
need for our
democracy. Instead
of something
produced at "News
Central" far away,
it's more important
that we see real
people from our own

communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.